

REMARKS

This application is a divisional application of parent patent application serial No. 10/003,075. Claims 23-38 are pending. Claims 1-22 have been cancelled. Claims 26, 28, 33 and 37 have been amended. No new matter has been introduced. Applicants respectfully request an action on the merits.

The parent application (serial No. 10/003,075) to this divisional application was originally filed on October 31, 2001 with 38 claims. In an Office Action, dated June 13, 2003 included as Attachment 1, the Examiner identified that claims 1-38 were subject to an election requirement with claims 1-22 being in Group 1 and claims 23-38 being in group 2. Applicants elected Group 1, claims 1-22, in an Amendment, dated September 10, 2003, in response to the Office Action included as Attachment 2.

In the present application, Applicants are pursuing original claims 23-38.

Applicants have enclosed herewith a PTO-Form 1449 identifying references potentially relevant to this invention. The references identified on the PTO-Form 1449 include references cited by the Examiner during the prosecution of the parent application. Copies of the Foreign Patent Document references are enclosed for the Examiner's convenience.

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An action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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